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THREE AMERICANS LOST WHEN STEAMSHIP PERSIA IS SENT TO THE BOTTOM

American Consul at Aden, Persia, with Two Other Residents the United States Supposed to Have Been Drowned when Big British Boat Is Torpedoed off the Island of Crete Early Thursday Morning. 390 Are Declared Sacrificed.

Official at Washington Waits for Details of the Sea Tragedy. Lansing will Not Talk But Declares He will Wait Until Full Particulars Are to Be Had. Affair May Again Put Teutonic Nations and This Country on Bad Terms.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—London and the British empire was shocked today upon the publication of the announcement that the steamship Persia had been submerged, off the island of Crete, Thursday morning with practically a total loss of passengers and crew.

The passenger list is estimated at 390, in which three Americans are included. They are: Robert McNeely, American consul at Aden, John Grant, of Boston and Edward Rose, a Denver schoolboy. Among the passengers were about eighty-seven women and twenty-five children. The boat was bound for Indian ports.

WASHINGTON AWAITS DETAILS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Official Washington anxiously awaited details of the torpedoing of the British steamer Persia, on which an American is said to have embarked. While it is realized that reports from consular representatives might show the submarine commander was justified in sinking the vessel, officials are not inclined to minimize the gravity of the situation confronting the United States, should it develop that there has been a violation of American rights.

It is admitted that new dangers threaten the relations between the United States and the Central Powers which seemingly had just been placed on the road to satisfactory adjustment by the assurance in Austria's reply to the second Ancona note.

Should it develop the submarine was of Austrian nationality, as there is apparently ground for believing, the Vienna government will be given opportunity to explain.

One American citizen was on board, Robert McNeely, the newly appointed consul at Aden. The belief is expressed in official circles that had McNeely escaped, there would be some report from him as more than two days have elapsed since the vessel was sunk.

The State Department desires to determine definitely whether the Persia tried to escape, or if the torpedo was fired at her before she stopped on the warning given, and if the passengers were given sufficient time to leave the vessel.

Two official dispatches reached the State Department from Consul General Snyder at London confirming press dispatches. Copies were transmitted to the President at Hot Springs.

The Department requested information from the representative at Alexandria and other points where survivors might be landed. In the absence of specific details Secretary Lansing is declined to comment. He made it clear that no action would be taken until the nationality of the submarine was established and the circumstances of the attack known.

It is realized that if it was an Austrian submarine, Vienna might offer the explanation that insufficient time had elapsed for the new instructions, confirming assurances contained in the last Ancona note, to reach the submarine commanders.

It is pointed out that this note was delivered Wednesday and the attack on the Persia was on Thursday. Whether the new instructions had gone to submarine commanders is unknown here. Should an explanation be made, accompanied by the proper disavowal and a provision for reparation, the United States would accept. Officials of the State Department are not inclined to doubt the good faith of the assurances of Austria.

HAS BROTHER ALONG
CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 1.—Robert Ney McNeely, on board the torpedoed ship Persia, was accompanied by a brother, David McNeely. The latter is said to have been a brother. David was, until recently, the editor of a paper in Waxhaw, N. C.

TEARS BOMBARD ENGLISH.
CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 1.—An official statement of the Turkish War Office says the Turkish batteries successfully bombarded an allied position near Sedul-Bahr, on the night of December 30-31.

ACTS FOR AUSTRIA.
PARIS, Jan. 1.—American Consul James Kohl has taken over the interests at Saloniki of Austria, according to the Havas Athens correspondent.

LOVE LAUGHS AT THE MILES THAT COULD NOT KEEP FOND HEARTS APART



Miss Dorothy Violet Seymour.

Miss Dorothy Violet Seymour has just reached San Francisco from London. In the California metropolis she will marry Rev. Mager McMurray, whom she met in England some years ago. McMurray was the lightweight champion at Oxford while he was a student there.

RECEPTION HELD IN LOBBY OF HOTEL

President and Mrs. Wilson Receive Five Hundred Residents of Hot Springs. Later President is Host at Tea.

HOT SPRINGS, Jan. 1.—The President held his first official New Year's reception this evening in the lobby of the hotel where he is passing his honeymoon. He shook hands with five hundred.

The line of callers, mostly country people, were received by the President and Mrs. Wilson before the fireplace near the hotel entrance. Wilson greeted them cordially and introduced his bride. Later the President was host at a public tea, Mrs. Wilson officiating at a table set apart for her and her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson took long motor rides and a three mile walk after rounding the golf links. They walked leisurely and stopped to talk with children who trooped out to meet them.

Information regarding the situation with Austria was forwarded the President by Secretary Lansing, the nature of which was undisclosed. Wilson declined to comment on the sinking of the liner Persia saying he had incomplete information.

EARTHQUAKE FELT

TACOMA, Jan. 1.—Two or three violent earthquake shocks were recorded in this city this afternoon. They felt more like explosions than earthquakes.

ALSO AT SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Jan. 1.—An earthquake felt this afternoon continuing ten seconds was followed by light tremors. There was no damage.

QUAKE RECORDED

SAN JOSE, Jan. 1.—The record of a distant earthquake was produced on the seismograph early this morning at the University of Santa Clara. It lasted an hour and a half. Professor Newlin says it was some thousands miles distant.

TO BUY LUMBER.

SAN DIEGO, (Jan. 1.—Representatives of the French government on the Pacific Coast are to purchase 200,000,000 feet of building material for shipment to Havre and Bordeaux, according to word received by a local lumber company.

DIES IN TURKEY.

BOSTON, Jan. 1.—The American board commissioners of foreign missions announced the death from typhus fever at Harport, Turkey, of Dr. Henry Atkinson, for fourteen years the medical missionary at that station. Atkinson was the sixth missionary of the board to die within the year of causes attributed to war conditions.

RACES OPEN.

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 1.—Despite adverse weather a crowd of 8,000 attended the inaugural race meet at the Lower California Jockey Club at Tia Juana, Mex. Light rain, this morning, made the course soggy and slow time prevailed in the six events. The meet will continue 100 days.

SPALDING HEIRS RELATIONS ARE TAKE CONTEST INTO COURT

Two Sons of Sporting Goods Manufacturer Behind Suit, Charge Conspiracy to Widow and Head of Sect.

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 1.—Allegations that a "conspiracy" existed between Mrs. Elizabeth Churchill Spalding, widow of Albert Goodwell Spalding, and Mrs. Katherine Tingley, head of the Theosophical Institute from the basis of the second contest of the will of the late sporting goods man, filed by attorneys for Alber Goodwell Spalding, Jr., adopted son.

The first contest was filed several weeks ago by Keith Spalding, another son. "Undue influence" is alleged in both. The latest contest alleges that Mrs. Tingley and Mrs. Spalding "knew a long time before Spalding's death that he was in a precarious condition and likely to die and that his adopted son was not communicated with." The adopted son lives in London.

The Spalding estate is estimated at from a million and a half to two million and a half. The will was filed in September and gave his three sons \$100,000 each and the remainder to his widow.

FORD IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—The Norwegian-American liner Bergenafjord, on which Henry Ford is returning from his peace mission, arrived at Quarantine.

Preparations were made by the collector of the port to go down the bay and meet Ford. Ford's wife and son, Edsel, accompanied by several friends, are awaiting his coming. It is expected the party will leave for Detroit in a few hours.

VIOLATES PROHIBITION LAW.

SEATTLE, Jan. 1.—The first arrest for violation of the prohibition law were made at 3 o'clock this morning, when the police took into custody the proprietors of the Falcoun on First Ave. South for selling drinks over the bar. Of fifty or fifty-eight arrests, forty-nine were from sale of liquor. Under the law owners of buildings containing saloons where violations occurred are liable to prosecution.

DENIES OFFER.

ROME, Jan. 1.—The Observatore Romano, the Vatican organ, denies the Cardinal Von Hartmann ever offered the Pope the presidency of a congress in the interest of peace.

RUSSIANS IN ATTACK ON TEUTONIC GALACIA

Slav Army, Rejuvenated by Fresh Munitions from Japan, England and America Make Attack on Austrians.

RESULT OF BATTLE IS UNKNOWN IN LONDON

Thought That Effect of the Action May be Considerable on the Balkan Question. Especially on Roumania.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—A rejuvenated Russian army, equipped with munitions from Japan, America and England, is engaged in a great attack on the Austro-Hungarian forces in Galicia. Reports from Vienna and Petrograd claim advantages for their respective forces. Neither describes decisive results. The details are few and conflicting and give no definite description of the battle line.

Other important news was the announcement of the sinking of the India-bound British liner, Persia, near Crete Thursday. The Persia carried over two hundred passengers and a crew of between two hundred and three hundred. The cargo was small. Reports here give rise to the fear that a majority of the passengers were lost which would make it the most disastrous result of the submarine campaign since the Lusitania was sunk. Among the passengers were three Americans, Robt. McNeely, Charlie Grant, of Boston and Edward Rose of Denver. There were also thirty British officers bound for India, including Lord Montague.

Newspaper correspondents at Petrograd estimate that a million and a half Teutons are engaged in the Galicia fighting. They assert that whatever change occurred in the fighting line was in favor of the Russians. The Austrian official says the Russian attacks everywhere were repulsed with heavy losses. The significant fact is that the Russian army has again been able to take the offensive.

Recent telegrams from the war theatre say the Austrians show better fighting qualities than in the early stages of the war. The result of the battle is expected to have an important influence on the Balkan situation, particularly on Rumania's policy. Apparently the Russians have been preparing for these operations for some time past. Cable communication to the Bessarabian region has been virtually suspended for more than a month.

Cable communication with the East is so slow, that details of the Persia disaster are not expected to arrive for a day or two. A majority of the Persia's passengers were British, en route to India, including many women.

New Year's holiday has given a rest to the political agitation over conscription. Traditional secrecy enshrouding cabinet deliberations was thrown to the winds during the past week.

CALLS LEGISLATURE

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 1.—The governor issued a call for a special session of the legislature Jan. 5, for the consideration of amendments on the direct primary and the presidential primary acts. There are also bills allowing the San Diego Exposition to continue another year and permit the state to take over the buildings at San Francisco for a new Normal School.

BULGARIAN COMMANDER TALKS.

BERLIN, Jan. 1.—General Joffe, commander-in-chief of the Bulgarian forces, is quoted by a correspondent of the Tageblatt as declaring, Dec. 26, in an interview that no decision had been made whether action would be pursued against the Anglo-French up on Greek territory.

The general stated, according to the correspondent, that the problem of the continued presence of the Allies at Saloniki and further action against it involved problems of a political nature. He intimated that the Bulgarians had abandoned their pursuit of the Serbian army into Albania as Albanians after completing the destruction of the Serbian army are said to have a possible show to make a stand against the Teutonic forces.

FRENCH LEADER IN THE BALKANS



General Sarrail.

General Sarrail, the grizzled French veteran, who is considered to be one of the most distinguished of the generals under Joffre, is shown here starting out from his headquarters in Saloniki for a trip through the city. It is estimated that there are now over 172,000 men and officers of the French and British forces at the Greek port.

GREAT OUTLOOK FOR DISTRICT IN 1916

Leap Year Unfolds with Good Business Indications and Much of a Political Nature to Warm Conditions Up.

1916 dawned in Bisbee to the tune of cold weather, which served only to stimulate the residents of the city and District to greater activities during the year. From every quarter there is the assurance that the next twelve-month will bring an unprecedented era of prosperity to the section.

It's Leap Year.

Few have come to the realization that the year, now upon the country, carries that wonderful privilege for women—in other words, the right to make advances. Though there has been no indication that the women of the city and District have already begun their work, it is felt that there is ample room for their efforts.

Politics.

The city primaries come in April. The city election follows in May. From the city election to the county and state primaries is not a long jump, and from that time to county, state and national elections is another short period. Between business, pleasure and politics the District promises to be more than occupied.

Already some hats have been thrown into the ring and in the next few months or even weeks, there promises to be a succession of declarations. In the city election it would appear that the republican ranks will be solid against the democrats. This may throw Bisbee again into the republican column. The county, state and national elections, in Arizona, also promise to see the republicans and progressives on some common ground and the best fight of a political nature, since 1910 is anticipated.

On the whole, and from every standpoint, Bisbee possesses every indication of continuing its lead in 1916 among Arizona and Southwestern communities. With the continued prosperity in the copper producing world, the reopening of Sonora and the prosperity of the stockmen and business men generally, the outlook is the most promising had in many years.

KILLED IN COLLISION.

LAPORTE, Ind., Jan. 1.—Two men and a woman are dead and six are badly injured as a result of a head-on collision of a passenger and freight car on the Gary Interurban Railway at Brooks Crossing near here. A heavy fog is blamed.

NO DANGER FROM COLD.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 1.—There was little or no damage to citrus crops in Sacramento Valley, according to accounts now, according to fruit men.

ALL NATIONS CERTAIN OF WINNING WAR

Emperor Wilhelm, Premier Poincare and Other Rulers Dispatch New Year's Assurances to Their Forces.

GREATEST OPTIMISM EXPRESSED IN NOTES

Entente Rulers Also Assure Each Other of the Utter Impossibility of Defeat for the Allied Countries.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—An Amsterdam correspondent reports that the Kaiser sent a New Year's address to his army and navy, saying in part: "Comrades, another year of severe fighting has elapsed. Whatever superior numbers of enemies have stormed our lines, they have failed before your loyalty and bravery. Wherever I have sent you into battle you have gained glorious victories. Thankfully we remember today, above all, our brethren who joyfully gave their blood in order to gain the security of our beloved at home and glory for the Fatherland. What they have begun we shall accomplish with God's gracious help."

FROM POINCARÉ

PARIS, Jan. 1.—"Nineteen sixteen will be a year of victory," said President Poincaré in a message to soldiers and officials of France, circulated at the front. The message expressed the confidence of the entire nation in its defenders.

RULERS INTERCHANGE NOTES

PARIS, Jan. 1.—President Poincaré and the Kings of Belgium, Italy and Serbia exchanged New Year's telegrams expressing confidence in the final triumph of the Entente allies.

CRUISER SINKS IN HARBOR

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Seventeen officers, including the captain, Erik Back, and chaplain, Algernon S. O. Sweet, were lost when the cruiser Natal sank Thursday while in the harbor, as a result of an internal explosion.

KILLS HUSBAND

ALAMEDA, Calif., Jan. 1.—Enrico D'Agostini, aged forty-eight, an employee of the French-American Steamship Company, was shot and killed by his wife, Jesuiti, twenty-eight, during an altercation over household expenses. Mrs. D'Agostini was arrested. After the shooting, Mrs. D'Agostini telephoned the police. It is alleged she confessed that she accidentally pulled the trigger while threatening her husband, who, she said, was attempting to strike her and their two children.

BULGARS MAY ATTACK

BERLIN, Jan. 1.—A Rhudapest dispatch says Premier Radoslawoff of Bulgaria, has made a statement to conference leaders of the government party before assembling parliament, that military operations against the British and French at Saloniki would be inaugurated in a short time. The reckoning the Premier said would be thorough.

GERMANS AT MONASTIR

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Reuter's Athens correspondent says that reliable information received there that a German battalion had reached Monastir in southwestern Serbia and an Austrian mountain battery was expected.

FRANCE ON ANCONA NOTE

PARIS, Jan. 1.—Interest is shown in the Austrian reply to the American note. La Liberté characterized the answer as a "backdown," and asserts the Austrian account of the sinking of the Ancona is at complete variance with the evidence obtained in the American inquiry.

RECENT DUCHESS' ACTIONS.

PARIS, Jan. 1.—A Havas dispatch from Geneva says: "News received from Luxembourg is to the effect that the association of domestic societies organized for a Sunday demonstration with the object that the will of the people and not that of the Grand Duchess shall be the supreme law in Luxembourg."